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Sir:

Applicant responds to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, issued in the above matter on 14 February 2001, as follows (a copy of the Notice to File Corrected Papers is enclosed):

Substitute, formal drawings, which comply with 37 CFR 1.84 are attached for filing with the application.

In addition, a one month extension of time is hereby respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this response

Respectfully submitted,

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Filing Date Granted

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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